The funds under the scheme are allocated to various States on the basis of the criterion laid down by the Planning Commission. The expenditure is shared by the Central and State Governments on 50:50 basis. The Central share is restricted on the basis of funds made available by the Planning Commission. However, the State Government are free to spend more funds than the required matching share as per their own resources.

(b) The prcedure for appointment of Judges of the High Courts involves consultations with several constitutional authorities. The process of consultations is on.

Reforms in Judicial System

2096. SHRI SANATAN BISI: Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has appointed a commission to bring suitable reforms in the judicial system and to study the Constitution; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI RAM JETHMALANI): (a) No sir,

(b) Does not arise.

Making Ports Profitable

2097. SHRI BRATIN SENGUPTA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal with Government to mobilise resources in order to make the loss making ports viable; and

(b) if so, the details of such proposal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (DR. DEBENDRA PRADHAN): (a) and (b) No, Sir. All the Major Port Trusts are earning profits.